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DEVICE FOR PURIFYING THE EXHAUST GAS OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION

ENGINE

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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